to them, is a little uncouth and odd, but intelligible enough, eſpecially the Mans. They were not Twins; and I knew three Brothers of the ſame Parents, that had their Hearing as well as any Perſons whatever.

VI. *A Relation of a Deaf and Dumb Perſon, who recover'd his Speech and Hearing after a Violent Fever: With ſome other Medicinal and Chirurgical Obſervations.* *By Mr.* Martin Martin.

Daniel Fraſer, a Native of *Straharig*, ſome ſix Miles from *Inverneſs*, continued Deaf and Dumb from his Birth, till the ſeventeenth Year of his Age. The Counteſs of *Crawford* kept him in her Family for the ſpace of eight or nine Years: After ſeventeen Years he was taken ill of a violent Fever, but being let Blood his Fever abated, and had not its Natural Courſe: About five or ſix Months after, he contracted a Fever again, and had no Blood drawn from him, and this went on with its Natural Courſe. Some Weeks after his recovery he perceived a motion in his Brain, which was very uneaſie to him, and afterwards he began to Hear, and in proceſs of time to underſtand Speech; this naturally diſpos'd him to imitate others, and attempt to Speak: The Servants were much amaz'd to hear him, and ſome run away; he was not underſtood diſtinctly for the ſpace of ſome Weeks; he is underſtood now tolerably well, tho he yet retains the *Highland* Accent, as *Highlanders* do who are advanc'd to his Years before they learn the *Engliſh* Tongue: he can ſpeak no *Iriſh*, for it was in the *Low Lands* of *Scotland* that he firſt heard and ſpoke. He continues

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to ſerve the Earl of *Crawford*. I left him at *Morpeth* the beginning of this Month of *Auguſt*, 1707.

When the Small-Pox is Epidemical in the Main Land over againſt *Skie-Iſle* on the S. E. and Eaſt, and likewiſe in *Skie-Iſle*, the Natives Bathe their Children in the Infuſion of *Juniper* Wood, and they generally eſcape; whereas thoſe who neglect this Precaution, are obſerved often to die: Of this I have ſeen ſeveral Inſtances.

The Plant *Water-lilly* being apply'd to the pain'd part of the Body where a *Felon* is fix'd, it is obſerved, that it forces its Paſſage quickly in that place through the Skin.

The red hot Iron is commonly uſed in piercing an Inch deep in Arms or Legs, and cures ſeveral Diſtempers.

A Wound or Scarification croſs the Crown of the Head cures Fluxes and Dyſenteries. The Blood being ſtanched, the Wound is cured as other Wounds commonly are.

Silverweed is uſed as *Hops* to brew Beer.